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## CIVIC COMMITTEE FAVORS PURCHASE OF ARENA BY CITY

Report, Made Public Today,  
Does Not Mention Pos-  
sible Price or Method of  
Financing.

OWNERS WILLING  
TO ACCEPT \$2,000,000

Bond Issue Apparently Only  
Method by Which Munici-  
pality Could Obtain the  
Money.

A special committee representing  
the Chamber of Commerce, Pro-  
gress Council and Convention Bu-  
reau has reported in favor of pur-  
chase by the city of The Arena,  
3700 Oakland avenue, as a com-  
munity establishment for conven-  
tions, exhibitions and other events.

The report does not mention a  
price for the purchase or suggest  
how the city could raise the money,  
but it does say that if the city  
can obtain a fair price the propos-  
al should be submitted to the people.

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only means by which the city could  
provide the purchase money. Re-  
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Appportionment refused to initiate a  
\$2,000,000 bond issue proposed by  
Mayor Miller, chiefly for carrying  
out undertakings started but not  
finished under the 1923 bond  
issue.

With the last bit of coal used up  
at the Sage Memorial Indian Hos-  
pital, and two children's dormitories  
at the mission, Dr. C. G. Sal-  
isbury, head of the mission, tele-  
phoned to Defiance, Ariz., that the  
situation was becoming acute. All  
hands except nurses chopped wood  
today. Three hundred and fifty  
persons, including 150 Indian  
children, housed in the Pres-  
byterian Indian Mission at  
Ganado, Ariz., which is snowbound  
with its fuel supply nearly exhausted.

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NOT Yet Ready for Mayor.  
Last spring, Harold M. Bixby,  
chairman of The Arena Finance  
Committee, advocated use of some  
of the \$5,000,000 Municipal Audit-  
orium bond item to pay for The  
Arena, but bills are pending now  
in the Board of Aldermen for ap-  
portionments from that account  
to pay for the auditorium site at  
Perrin and Market streets and  
the chance to construct the  
front portion of the auditorium.

Fire in 14 buildings at the mis-  
sion have been put out to conser-  
ve fuel for the hospital and children's  
dormitories.

## JOINT CONFERENCE TO TAKE UP RAIL WAGE CUT ISSUE

Brotherhoods at Chicago Meeting,  
Agree to Sessions With the  
Managements.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—Wage cuts  
and settlement of railway labor's  
request for relief for its unem-  
ployed await the call of a joint  
conference of officials of the railroads  
and their organized employees.

The meeting of brotherhoods ad-  
journed last night without taking a  
stand for or against the suggested  
voluntary wage reductions of 10  
per cent. The men offered, how-  
ever, to meet with the manage-  
ments and negotiate to a conclu-  
sion the issues of unemployment  
and wages.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Railroad  
presidents of important Eastern  
lines will meet in New York next  
Tuesday to consider further steps  
to be taken in the matter of wage  
reductions.

## PROBABLY RAIN OR SNOW TONIGHT, TOMORROW; COLDER

THE TEMPERATURES

1 a. m. 45 7 a. m. 42  
2 a. m. 44 8 a. m. 41  
3 a. m. 43 9 a. m. 40  
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9 a. m. 37 3 p. m. 34  
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Note: Temperatures after noon will not  
be available until Weather Bureau re-  
opens at 7 a. m.

The Disputed Hand.

Here is the hand, No. 147, of the  
series:

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♦9842  
♦AK42  
  
JACOBY, Dealer.

Official forecast  
for St. Louis and  
vicinity: Cloudy  
tonight and to-  
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rain or snow;  
colder tomorrow;  
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ture tonight about  
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Missouri: Rain  
in south and rain  
or snow in north  
portion probable  
tonight and to-  
morrow; colder  
tomorrow.

Illinois: Rain or  
snow in north and  
rain in south por-  
tion probable to-  
night and to-  
morrow; not much  
change in tempera-  
ture.

Stage of the Mississippi, 10.1 feet,  
a fall of 0.5.

Next Week's Weather Outlook.

By the Associated Press.  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—  
Weather outlook for the week be-  
ginning Monday, Dec. 14: For the  
Upper Mississippi and Lower Mis-  
souri valleys and the Northern and  
Central Great Plains, snows over  
northern, mostly fair over south-  
ern portions, first part of week; prob-  
ably precipitation again toward end  
of week; temperatures near normal.

Proposal Made Last May.

Mayor Miller's proposal for pur-  
chase of The Arena was made last  
May to the Chamber of Commerce and  
Progress Council, in the belief  
that it would not be possible to  
build the auditorium for several  
years. This belief arose from a  
Circuit Court ruling against assess-  
ment of benefits in the Memorial

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## GANDHI REFUSES TO DRESS UP; ISN'T RECEIVED BY POPE

Loinclothed Mahatma Calls on  
Mussolini as He Did on  
King George.

By the Associated Press.

ROME, Dec. 12.—Mahatma Gandhi missed an opportunity for an audience with Pope Pius today, apparently because his odd costume did not conform with the Vatican requirements of modesty.

Premier Mussolini received him,

however, this evening after Gandhi had spent more than an hour visiting the Vatican without seeing the Pontiff.

Gandhi authorities said the ar-  
rangements for an audience with the Pope had been canceled because his holiness had other pressing engagements. It was learned, however, that they had felt the Gandhi loin cloth would be impractical but that it would be too delicate a matter to ask the Indian to change his costume.

Gandhi, on the other hand, was represented as believing that since he had just altered his native costume for King George, his own sovereign, he could not consistently do so for the head of the Catholic church.

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# RECEIVER ASKED FOR CASTLEREAGH APARTMENTS

William M. Hanley, in Suit at Clayton, Alleges Interest Payment of \$14,500 Was Not Paid.

AYS FORECLOSURE IS THREATENED

Defendants, Including

Straus Trust Co. of Chicago

Ordered to Appear in

Court on Dec. 18.

SOLICITATION FROM JOB HOLDERS

Jury Called to In

North Carolina

Firms.

RO. N. C. Dec. 12.—As yesterday called a regular jury to meet at the request of the United States District Court, who announced he was investigating into evidence that leaders in North Carolina solicited monthly contributions from the law offices of James H. Foster, secretary of the Real Estate Protective Committee, and Judge Hayes H. Hayes, being assisted by Charlotte of the United States District Court.

RS TO BE CURE RE DISEASE FOUND

Doctors Assent Ag

Is Overcome by

of "K-96."

Press.

III. Dec. 12.—District chief of staff of the Hospital, and Dr. Stephen announced yesterday of what they asserted a cure for the rare as granulocytosis, characterized by white corpuscles in the blood. The patient was Mrs. McCaul, wife of an employee. She was seven months ago in the hospital, and the disease resulted in the death of her in this area.

CONCLUDED

THE MURDER TRIAL

Press.

Dec. 12.—Testi

ment of Prof. Elihu

Portage des Sioux.

Frank Clark, a former convict, was sentenced to 17 years in the penitentiary by Circuit Judge Wool.

At St. Charles today when he pleaded guilty of participation in the robbery of the People's Bank of St. Charles and the Bank of Portage des Sioux.

The building, six stories high, contains 60 three and five-room apartments. A 40-car garage is in the rear. The indebtedness under the first mortgage was reduced from \$50,000 to \$45,000, the suit relates, by re-payment of bonds through a sink fund, but it is alleged funds will not be available to retire an additional \$20,000 in bonds May 1, as provided in the mortgage, unless a receiver takes charge of the property.

An Illustrative Hand.

The following hand is an illus-

tration:

# Mrs. Culbertson and Lenz Analyze Bidding Duel

She Says Good Cards Excited Adversaries Expert of Official System Again Complains of Challenger's Delays.

Following are articles by Mrs. Josephine Culbertson and Sidney S. Lenz, describing last night's play at the fourth session of the 150-rubber contract bridge contest between Ely Culbertson, with his wife as partner, and Lenz and Oswald Jacoby. Culbertson, the challenger, has bidding system of his own; Lenz and Jacoby use the so-called official system. Twelve rubbers were played at the fourth meeting, Lenz and Jacoby taking seven. At the end of the play early today, Lenz and Jacoby had increased their point lead by 3855, giving them a grand net total of 5650 over the Culbertsons.

By Mrs. Josephine Culbertson. (Copyright, 1931.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The last rubber in last night's session of our match against Sidney S. Lenz and Oswald Jacoby was one of my most interesting experiences at the bridge table. My husband engaged in a bidding duel with our opponents which resulted in our scoring more than 2000 in sets. The rubber ended with a plus 600 for us, although technically it was won by our opponents. This is remarkable in that our opponents opened the rubber by bidding and making one of their numerous slams.

Both Lenz and Jacoby seemed to be extraordinarily excited by the fact that they had raised their net score to 7030 points as the result of their laydown slam and began to make rather incautious bids.

Apparently Culbertson detected their state of mind.

Culbertson's Errors Costly.

In spite of his brilliant bidding and play on this last rubber, Culbertson was really below his usual standing. He was a top and bottom player. During the evening he made three costly errors. I am bold to criticise my husband because, alas! my errors last night were quite reluctant to do in the beginning of the week.

Chief Discharges Gas Shells.

Combe was left on the porch but the others went through the house into a front room where 16 persons, including four Negro women and five Negro men, were gathered. Chief Leahy discharged his shotgun, loaded with tear gas shells into the room.

At that moment O'Brien stepped in front of him and the heavy wad struck him full in the face. The policemen, caught in their own gas barrage, retreated while the men and women in the meeting scampered out the front door to be arrested on the sidewalk.

Chief Leahy reported that as he and the others got to the back door they called to Combe, who was out of the range of the gas at that time, to follow them. Combe went down the steps to the yard and there collapsed. He was dead when an ambulance arrived at St. Mary's Hospital.

One of Prisoners Affected.

Today only one of the persons arrested at the meeting felt any appreciable effects of the gas. He identified himself as Harold Cisco, 21, laborer, of 1024 Baker avenue. He had washed his hands and face with water to stop irritation by the gas and had found that the treatment raised blisters.

The following names were included among those of the prisoners taken at the meeting.

Al Milman, 44, secretary of the Labor Lyceum Association of St. Louis; his 16-year-old son, Sol; Pete Logue, 38, steamfitter, 649 North Twenty-sixth street; Frank Nowden, 21, machinist, 1112 Baker avenue; Alex Horrath, 40, laborer, 1036 Baker avenue, and Earl Moller, 21, electrician, 1123 Tudor avenue.

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## THE POST-DISPATCH PLATFORM

I know that my retirement will make no difference in its cardinal principles that it will always fight for progress and reform, never tolerate injustice or corruption, always fight demagogues of all parties, never belong to any party, always oppose privileged classes and public plunderers, never lack sympathy with the poor, always remain devoted to the public welfare, never be satisfied with merely printing news; always be drastically independent; never be afraid to attack wrong, whether by predatory plutocracy, or predatory poverty.

JOSEPH PULITZER

April 10, 1907.

## LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE

The name and address of the author must accompany every contribution, but on request will not be published. Letters not exceeding 200 words will receive preference.

## One Way to Save the Taxpayers' Money

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:

(An open letter to the President, to Senators Hawes and Patterson and to Congressman Niedringhaus.)

A former Army officer and as a reduction in the enormous amounts of money now spent by the War Department on training students in our schools and colleges, namely, in these days of \$2,000,000,000 deficits, we may well look about the places where we might save, and save advantageously. In 1925, according to Congressman Collins, the R. O. T. C. cost us \$10,626,504. In 1930, the C. M. T. C. cost us \$2,742,158. This Congressman—may his tribe increase!—says that by abolishing free summer vacations at the expense of the Government, by taking the War Department out of the high schools and by withdrawing War Department support from compulsory military courses in colleges and universities, a saving of \$60,000,000 per year could be effected. How soon may we "poor naked wretches" look for relief in this direction?

## EX-LIEUTENANT

It All Goes Under the Name of Justice.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:

ONE more avenue, Baden, pleaded guilty Dec. 8 before Judge McElhinney at Clayton of the theft of an automobile, and was sentenced to serve three years in the penitentiary.

One William Webb, tried before Judge Mulroy at Clayton last week for mail-slaughter and auto theft, pleaded guilty, was sentenced for 10 years and was immediately paroled.

While he was out on bond to answer to this charge, Deputy Constable Harry Meyer of Central Township and Lawrence Sheller, Deputy Sheriff, had on Sept. 25, 1931, the occasion to arrest Webb driving a stolen car. The charge was at first grand larceny, but through some chiseling this was reduced to petit larceny. Webb pleaded guilty and was let off with a fine of \$5 and costs, on the recommendation of one of Prosecuting Attorney Castlen's assistants.

Judge Mulroy, in paroling Webb, stated that he did not know of any other trouble that he was in, but why did not the Prosecutor or his assistant mention the other case, since his office issued the warrant on the Sept. 25 charge?

John Muhr, true enough, stole the automobile that he was sentenced for, but did not kill a human in an intoxicated condition. He goes to prison, while Webb is turned loose. MRS. A. McDOWALL.

## No Service Cars on Gravols.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:

EVERY citizen of St. Louis who is interested in the city's progress and welfare should rejoice over the fact that among our public officials there is at least one who realizes the importance of some adequate control and regulation of service cars.

Robert B. Brooks' action in prohibiting the operation of the bootleggers of transportation on the newly widened Gravois Avenue should be applauded by every clear-thinking individual who realizes the effect which this unregulated competition must ultimately have on the transportation facilities upon which the vast majority of our fellow citizens must rely.

If there is a place for the service car in the general scheme of public transportation in a city the size of St. Louis, it is essential that this be recognized promptly, and that there should be set up the necessary regulations to convert this contributor to traffic congestion into an orderly adjunct to the city's transportation facilities. DONTBY HICKS.

## Mr. Ross' Article.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:

I HAVE been wanting to congratulate you on Charles G. Ross' summary of the economic situation of the city. It seems to me to be very excellent and it represents the finest type of journalistic enterprise. No one can fail to find it informative, and at the same time it is so clearly written as to be understandable to any intelligent reader.

## RALPH F. FUCHS.

## Mr. Mellon in His Usual Form.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:

S was to be expected, the tax increases proposed by the administration to meet the Treasury deficit are to fall heavily on the masses.

To be sure, Mr. Mellon's program does call for some increases in the higher brackets, but the chief concern of Mr. Mellon is, as always, to let the large fortunes off lightly, even when the owner passes on.

It may be fair to broaden the base of the income tax by adding about \$600,000,000 per year, but the proposed taxes on radios, theaters, admissions and similar levies could well be left out, and the burden put upon large estates, which would, after all, put no real hardship on any one.

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## ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12, 1931.

## OUR COSTLY COUNTIES.

Some time ago the Post-Dispatch suggested the reduction in the number of counties as a way to reduce the cost of government and at the same time produce a more efficient administration of local affairs through the elimination of needlessly repeated services. It was pointed out that the 161 counties of Georgia, the 114 of Missouri, the 105 of Kansas and the 102 of Illinois were all organized at a time when conditions required numerous small seats of government—time that now belongs to history, while its political consequences remain to burden the taxpayer.

Since our first discussion of the matter, we reported that the movement was under way in Georgia, where two small counties, without excuse for existence, were consolidated with a third, which contains the City of Atlanta. Recently, the Louisville Courier-Journal reported that a bill to permit county consolidation would be introduced at the next session of the Kentucky Legislature. Those in support of the measure call attention to the benefits, among others, which will accrue to the hospitals, poorhouses and other local public institutions, now frequently nothing short of disgraces.

A FUND FOR STREET SAFETY.

It is vital to public safety that the Board of Estimate and Apportionment approve and the Aldermen vote the \$70,491 requested by Director of Streets and Sewers Brooks for eliminating certain street dangers. The amount would go largely for 144 concrete light standards and 11 automatic traffic signals. This year's toll on our streets, which already has passed by several deaths the 1930 total of 156, makes it imperative to install safety devices as rapidly as possible. Lines painted on the pavement at street car stops "are not safety zones in any sense of the word," the Safety Council says. That has long been obvious. The killing of two persons and injury of four others in such a zone when run down by a truck last week gives tragic confirmation to a commonly recognized fact. Safety zones guarded by a concrete cone and beacons have proved their value. Of 200 persons injured in or near safety zones this year, only one was in a zone of this type.

The need for additional stop-and-go lights also is self-evident. Although Washington, Locust and Olive, between Twelfth and Jefferson, have been designated as "stop" streets, the designation is valueless while the department lacks funds to erect the necessary signals. Each sign would be a direct means of saving lives.

The safety program of the Street Department has had niggardly treatment for years. In 1927, for instance, \$10,000 was appropriated for the work—and the corresponding department in Los Angeles spent that amount for paint alone! Safety campaigns in the schools and among the motoring public have difficult headway while our streets abound in traffic and pedestrian traps at busy corners and in unguarded safety areas. Mr. Brooks' request is a modest one, and should be granted in full.

## THE RADIO CENSUS.

Of the 29,950,146 families in the United States in April of last year, 12,078,345, or 40.3 per cent, owned radio sets. New Jersey leads the country with 63 per cent of its households listening in, and Mississippi is last, with 5.4 per cent. The eight South Atlantic states offer a fruitful field for radio salesmen, for 81 per cent of their families are without a dial to twist. All this, and much more, the radio industry has learned by courtesy of the Census Bureau, which counted radio sets at the same time it counted noses last year. While other businesses spend immense amounts on market surveys whereby to direct their selling activities intelligently, the radio industry, for some reason never explained, got the Government to gather its figures. Acknowledging radio's importance in education, entertainment and business, it is highly laudable of the Washington authorities to help the manufacturers and distributors to sell more sets. But, to be consistent, they should accede likewise to the probably forthcoming requests from makers of washing machines, electric fans, mechanical refrigerators, lawn mowers, bridge tables, kewpie dolls and any and every other product, for inclusion in the census blanks for the 1940 tabulation.

## HOLDING THE COURTS IN CONTEMPT.

City Counselor Muench, in a radio speech, deplores the widespread disregard of civic obligation and ascribes to it the magnitude of present-day lawlessness. He cited the case of a prominent citizen who was recently the victim of a traffic accident, caused by a drunken driver. Indignant over the incident, the citizen had one of his friends telephone Mr. Muench "to make sure" the driver would get his just deserts in court. Three charges were placed against him: disregard of a traffic signal, careless driving and driving while intoxicated. When the man's case came up in court, the indignant citizen failed to appear. It was necessary to issue a subpoena to get him into court, and then it developed he was not willing to prosecute on the first two charges. As to the third charge, on which the Judge compelled him to testify, he dodged the issue by saying he was not an expert on drunkenness and, therefore, could not tell whether the defendant was drunk or not.

Mr. Muench drew the inference that a property settlement had been made and, his personal interest having been satisfied, the indignant citizen was no longer concerned in the public duty of prosecuting the traffic violator. We agree with Mr. Muench that this incident illustrates a gross disregard of community obligation, but we should like also to add that it shows a disrespect for the courts, for which remedies exist. Judges in such cases should not permit citizens to make sport of the law, and to use the courts merely to chisel property settlements out of law violators. If we know the meaning of contempt, this is it. A few lusty fines, or at least a few public rebukes from the bench, would help considerably to breed that feeling of community obligation for which Mr. Muench pleads.

## ANOTHER ORIGINAL MARY.

Not that it matters a great deal, but for the sake of accuracy it needs to be said that the claim of Mrs. Mary Hughes of being the original of the Mary who had the lamb was completely without foundation. According to Mrs. Hughes, who has just died in her ninety-first year, in England, the famous verses were written in Wales, in 1849, by Miss Sarah Buell. In the first place, Miss Buell, then Mrs. Hale, the widowed mother of five children, was too busy editing Godey's Lady's Book in Philadelphia to think of going abroad. In the second place, "Mary's Lamb" was first published in 1830, over Mrs. Hale's initials, in the Juvenile Miscellany, a pioneer children's periodical, and in her collected "Poems for Our Children" the same year. Thus, the verses which McGuffey's second reader immortalized were being "learned by heart" 11 years before the Welsh Mary was born and 19 years before the incident she described. For that matter, there have been other original Marys. Mrs. Mary Sawyer Tyler put in her "claims" 1878, and one Mary Dale in 1903. The probability is that Mrs. Hale drew the episode from her imagination solely to teach children the value of being kind to animals.

## THE VANISHING SUBURBAN TROLLEY.

The Public Service Co. has virtually completed a program of curtailing its trolley service in St. Louis County, which it claims it has been operating at a heavy loss. Out of a total length of suburban lines of 78 miles, it already has dropped 8.94 miles, while the program calls for eliminating 12.44 miles more, nearly all of which soon will be abandoned. This will leave 55.62 miles of trolley lines, to be augmented eventually by a total of 13.61 miles of bus lines, of which 5.74 miles are in service now.

If there is a place for the service car in the general scheme of public transportation in a city the size of St. Louis, it is essential that this be recognized promptly, and that there should be set up the necessary regulations to convert this contributor to traffic congestion into an orderly adjunct to the city's transportation facilities.

DONTBY HICKS.

## Mr. Ross' Article.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:

I HAVE been wanting to congratulate you on Charles G. Ross' summary of the economic situation of the city. It seems to me to be very excellent and it represents the finest type of journalistic enterprise. No one can fail to find it informative, and at the same time it is so clearly written as to be understandable to any intelligent reader.

RALPH F. FUCHS.

## Mr. Mellon in His Usual Form.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:

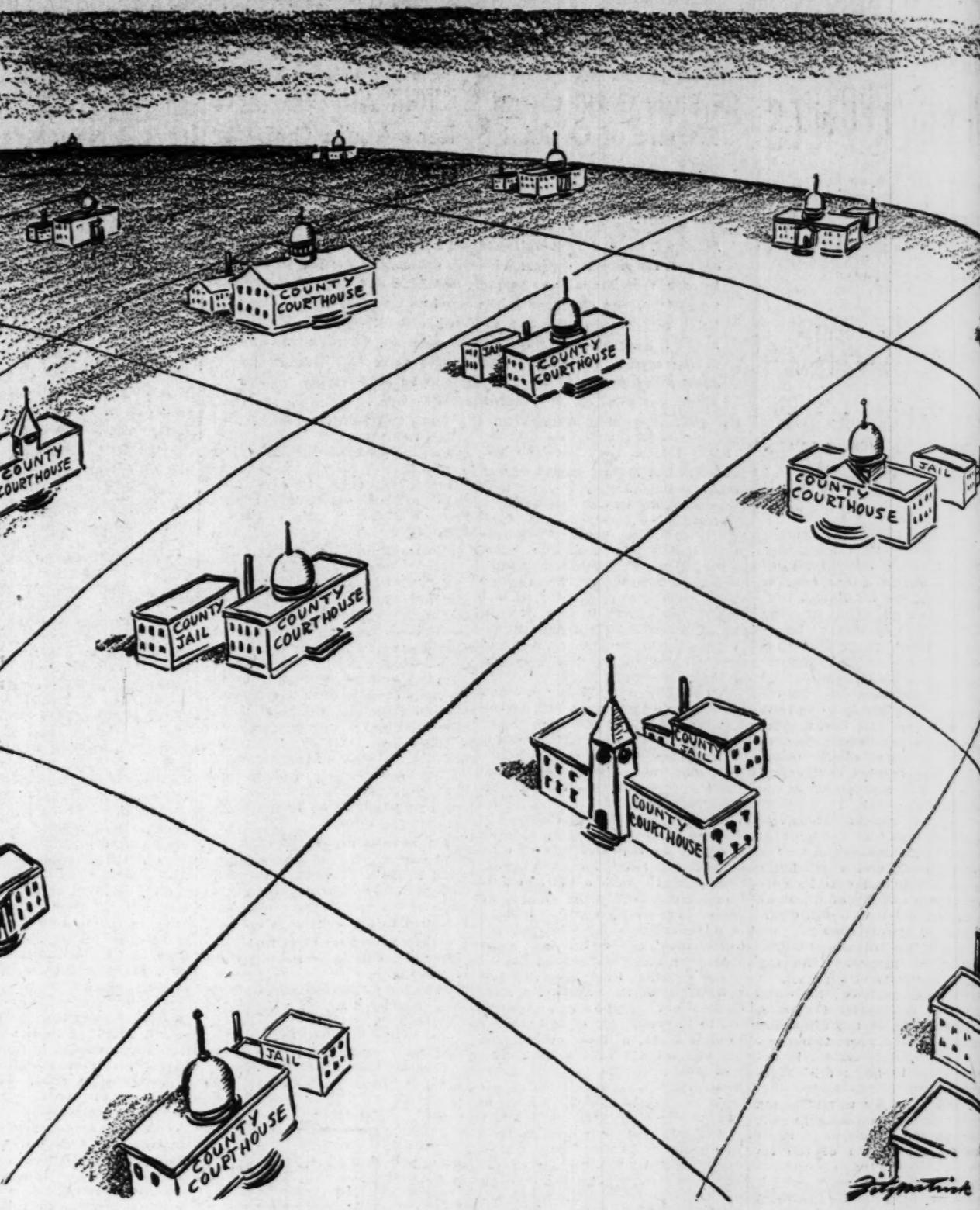
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ONE REASON TAXES ARE SO HIGH.

## Mayor or City Manager?

Politics and self-exploitation, rather than best public interest, may influence either city manager or Mayor; partisanship can be eliminated under either system, if citizens desire; conflicts between administrative branches have occurred under both; form of government viewed as having slight bearing on municipal efficiency.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:

OUR recent editorial on "The Rise of the City Manager" is timely. You say that the adoption of this form would result in the substitution of economy and efficiency in municipal government for the politically operated city. And you assert that Cleveland's recent abandonment of it was not due to indictment of the system per se, but rather the action was against the rule of the Republican machine. You quote expressions of opinion from esteemed publicists and political science writers to support your views. As you have done, the courage of written expression on this subject fills many volumes. Much of it is superficial, merely the work of novices and enthusiasts, but some of it is the result of mature thought grounded on accurate knowledge of sound principles of municipal government and exact information of practical administration.

A city manager may seek to become a leader of community opinion, and overlook the fact that his function is as a municipal administrator and not as a politician or a leader of the electors. When he takes on political functions of this nature, he may, by public appeal, try to coerce the commissioners or the council to accept his leadership. This method of perversion of public power for personal and selfish ends is indeed a serious evil. Under group plowmen, each man in the group received a share, regardless of his contribution to the finished unit.

After an analysis of group plowmen bonus, the bonus system was seen to have many advantages in fairness to both company and the employees. A bonus plan, modified to fit into Buick operations, was called the "Buick Wage Bonus Plan." All operations in the entire plant were graded according to skill required or responsibility in such a manner that any operations in the various plants were grouped together and an adequate base of work, each man in the group received a share, regardless of his contribution to the finished unit.

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The conflicts between the manager or commissioners or commissioners often seen are much like the conflict between various executive officers and department heads under the old municipal charters, whose chief characteristic was the diffusion of administrative power between the Mayor and the legislative branch in appointments and confirmations of officers. This is quite natural, because of the inevitable human impulse urging willful and unyielding men to use all power within their grasp to serve their desired ends.

Human beings of strong character and commanding personality have been ever so. Every form of municipal organization, as indeed, every type of government, contemplates confidence and co-operation among departments and officers. Public service, like all fields of human activity and responsibility, is largely a matter of give and take, without, of course, surrender of principle or group of men.

For the city manager plan, you support the common claim that it eliminates city politics as commonly practiced, and puts emphasis on the work to be done, and takes away from what is generally understood as politics. Politics of this sort depend on favors for votes. Like kisses, they are given.

The plan is concerned with management rather than favors. It does not seek to keep in office any set of people or group of men.

A municipal government under almost any plan, it would seem, could be maintained free from such politics. The adoption of business methods in managing the service of the city is not forbidden by the aldermanic, commission or any other form. Favors may be granted, fair or unfair; any group of individuals, political or other variety, may be given preference and retained in office, whether the best obtainable or not, and the political fortunes of individuals or groups thereof may be advanced under any sort of charter. A city, in its perfection, in furnishing public service, in its relations with the inhabitants, treats all alike, shows neither partiality nor discrimination, and thus maintains justice, the end and object of government, as well as of all worthy organizations of individuals.

The elimination of municipal politics as practiced almost everywhere is not so much a matter of government mechanism as it is a change of attitude of mind of the citizens and interest in their public cooperative service which would induce them

EUGENE MCQUILLIN.

(Mr. McQuillin, author of "Municipal Corporations," is a nationally known authority on municipal law. Editor's note.)

## A Wage Bonus Plan That Works

D. W. Oviatt, Efficiency Engineer, Buick Motor Co., in Nation's Business.

AGE incentives are of vital importance in industry where maximum production is required. Two outstanding wage incentive systems are piecework and bonus.

Individual and group piecework has been in vogue at the Buick plants for many years. Group piecework was quite satisfactory because, where a large number of men were employed in a group, the degree of skill required or the responsibility was not equal. Under group piecework, each man in the group received a share, regardless of his contribution to the finished unit.

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## HERB SCORES TWO TOUCHDOWNS FOR WEST POINT; STECKER IS OUTSTANDING STAR OF BATTLE

YANKEE STADIUM, NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Army unleashed a spectacular attack to gain a 17 to 7 victory over Navy in their battle for charity here this afternoon before a colorful crowd of 77,000 persons.

Travis Brown kicked a field goal for Army in the second period, while Herb went over for a touchdown, to give West Point a 10-to-0 lead at the end of the first half. Navy worked a forward pass for a score in the third period, but Herb scored again for Army in the final quarter. Stecker was the outstanding ground gainer for the Army eleven.

Played under palmy weather conditions, with a "gate" estimated at \$375,000, the game marked a return of old-time Army-Navy color and pageantry. The Cadets ripped down the goal posts in short order and serenaded the Middle stands with "taps."

It was Army's third successive victory.

The play by play account of the game follows:

## FIRST PERIOD.

Navy won the toss, as Captains Tuttle and Price met in mid-field. The Sailors chose to receive the kickoff. Using the old-fashioned kicking tee, Harley Trice, Army guard, kicked off. Tschirgi took the ball on the sideline and was forced out on Navy's 22. Bullet Lou Kirm smacked the line for four yards on the first play and picked up five more off Army's left tackle.

Hurley barely missed first down, and Kirm punted out of bounds on Army's 37. Kilday and Stecker slashed at the line, picking five yards in two plays. Brown then punted to Moncure, Navy quarterback, who took the ball on his own 15 and was tackled after advancing only three yards.

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Navy took a five-yard penalty.

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Kirk smacked at Army's left end for two yards, then kicked out of bounds on Army's 29. Goals of five yards by Carver and Stecker were offset by an offside penalty, and Brown punted to Moncure, who fumbled as he was tackled on Navy's 32 for the Cadets.

Navy Quarterback Injured.

Moncure, Middle quarterback, was injured and replaced by Becht. Army was penalized five yards for offside. Kilday plunged four and Stecker one. Smith, Navy end, stopped Stecker before he could reach the line of scrimmage. Brown tried a goal line pass, as he faded back to the 45-yard line, but it was knocked down by Tschirgi. Navy again took the ball on its own 30-yard line.

The sailors had pulled themselves out a hole by superb defensive work but Kirm punted from the goal line clear of bounds on Navy's 31-yard line.

Army, facing its first opportunity, was jolted when Capt. Tuttle broke through to tackle Brown for an eight-yard loss. Stecker bucked a yard and passed to Carver for a gain of four. Brown then punted out of bounds on Navy's 9-yard line.

On the next play, Hurley picked up six yards. Kirm tried a long pass but it sailed over all heads and he punted to Carver, who was downed on Army's 30-yard line as the first period ended. Score: NAVY 0, ARMY 0.

## SECOND PERIOD.

Army tried to put some punch into its rushing attack at the outset of the second period and Ray Stecker in three plays, gained 14 yards for Army's first first down. Stecker then passed to Brown for a gain of eight yards and Kilday hucked off Navy's left side for first down on Navy's 42. Carver was halted after a yard gain and Brown's pass to Stecker was incomplete. Kilday bucked to the 39. On the fourth down, triple pass, Stecker raced to Navy's 27 for another first down.

Stecker slashed inside his right tackle for two yards. Kilday pounded through center for five and Stecker made it first down a few inches short of Navy's 15-yard line. Army was hitting with terrific power.

Kirk and Stecker picked up four yards, but the cadet fullback was stopped cold by Capt. Tuttle on his next plunge. Stecker fought hard in a twisting dash around Navy's left end, but was unable to make the distance and Navy recovered on downs on its seven-yard mark.

Brown Kicks Field Goal.

Kirk stood on his goal line to punt and Carver made a five-yard return to Navy's 36-yard line. Kilday went out of bounds on the 35-yard line. The ball was quickly broken

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## STARTING LINEUPS

Army.	Position.	Navy.
King.	L. E.	Smith
Price.	L. T.	James
Summerfelt.	L. G.	Reedy
Evans.	C.	Tuttle
Trice.	R. L.	Underwood
Suarez.	R. T.	Bryan
Kopcsak.	R. E.	Elliott
Carver.	B.	Moncure
Brown.	L. H.	Kirk
Stecker.	R. M.	Tschirgi
Kilday.	F. B.	Hurley
Officials:	T. J. Throp, Columbia, referee; E. E. Miller, Penn State, field judge; J. P. Egan, Duquesne, umpire; W. M. Hollenback, Penn-sylvania, linesman.	

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Brown then dropped back to Navy's 15-yard line and placed-kicked a field goal. Score: NAVY 0, ARMY 3.

Jablonksi, substituting for Trice in the Army line, kicked off to Hurley, who fumbled and then recovered a yard enough to return to Navy's 14-yard mark. Kirm punted on the first play to Carver, who was downed on Army's 40 by Smith. Navy was penalized 15 yards for roughness. Stecker's long pass just missed King's finger tips with a clear field ahead. Kilday failed to gain, Carver made four over center. A short pass was good for only a yard, Stecker to Brown, and Brown booted out of bounds on Navy's 14-yard line.

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## Pass Gives Navy Touchdown.

On a offside penalty checked Army's attempt to advance and Brown punted to Becht, who made a short return to Navy's 35. Kirm made a first down to the inch on the first line play and then dropped back to the 25-yard line to huddle a long pass to Tschirgi, for a touch-down. Tschirgi took the ball on Army's 15-yard line and slid over the goal line as he was tackled from behind by Kilday. Becht placed kicked the extra point.

Underwood kicked off for the Navy and Stecker galloped 30 yards before he was hauled down on Army's 35-yard line. The Cadets used the wedged formation and came close to shaking Stecker into the clear.

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MY DEAR MRS. CARR: Last year when my daughter remarried, her husband decided to adopt her child. In doing so my daughter came into contact with a woman who is connected with the Juvenile Court. I should like to show my appreciation of her kindness in some way. I asked her for her address, but she would not give it to me—and she often says small boy, she says, not large enough for gifts. I also invited her for dinner, and she declined. She is such a distinguished woman, and I am afraid to offer her cash. What could I do for her? MRS. M. E.

I can understand how appreciative you might be of such services, which no doubt have been given for beyond the requirements of the court. But it would be difficult to offer her a special gift. A Christmas remembrance, a very simple one, would not be out of keeping, perhaps, just as friendly testimony of your personal appreciation. I have no doubt you might find out at the Juvenile Court how to reach her. If not, send her a card in care of the court and remember that your case is probably only one of many, to her, and that the satisfaction in her work is her big compensation.

DEAR MARTHA CARR: I am going to be maid of honor at a Christmas wedding and therefore would like to know the following information as soon as possible: 1—Should the gown and shoes match or should they be contrasting in color? My gown is green satin. Is yellow a good contrast for the shoes?

2—At this time of year is mesh gloves appropriate to wear or should kid gloves be worn?

3—Should any necklace or earrings be worn? Anything for the hair?

4—Matching shoes are better this winter. 2—Either kid gloves or none. 3—Earrings are smart for evening. Bracelet and necklace might be good, but not all three. Sometimes clip in the hair, but usually no ornament for the hair.

DEAR MRS. CARR: My husband has an unmarried aunt, who lives with his mother. We were quite friendly until our baby came, since then, when I am at their home, she stays in her room. I understand she does not like children and this is the reason for her queer actions. Should I tell her if I have offended her or let drop many thanks?

Say nothing about it. But try to remember that sometimes older persons are not "queer" (there are no "old maids" now) just because they must sometimes have quiet and repose. Perhaps you do not realize that young mothers sometimes think the whole world should stand with open-mouthed admiration while the baby cries and creates a hubbub. Babies are sweet and usually attractive, but their parents can make them stop being and stop by feeding them oil or ears. The soul may have some nervous trouble that she hasn't heard you with and you as well as she should try to be broadminded and considerate.

DEAR MRS. CARR: I am 17 years old and have been told by some noted singers that I have an exceptionally good voice for my age. I would like to sing with the orchestra of a certain theater in St. Louis, but I do not know how I should go about getting an interview. L. E.

Go to the theater, before the performance is scheduled (about half an hour) and ask at the box office if it would be possible to see the conductor of the orchestra for a very few minutes. If he does not see people at that time, ask the doorman or one of the officers of the theater what would be a more propitious hour.

DEAR MRS. CARR: I am keeping company with a young man, but he has been corresponding with another girl all the time. Now he plans to give her a Christmas present. Do you think he should divide his gifts that way, since I am supposed to be his special company? T. E.

I do not think I would mention that to him. He may not have the same feeling about the gift he sends you.

DEAR MRS. CARR: A boy 18 years old, fairly well established in business, has asked me to marry him. I am 16 and think I am too young. After graduating last June I took up the study of art and want to follow the work for a year or two. My parents like the young man. What would you do?

If you have any doubt wait a while, at least. Something may come up to inspire a quick decision. At least you have plenty of time.

## As a Stranger Sees Us

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HAVING always been interested in everything American, particularly the freedom enjoyed by the young girls and women of this country, Mme. Vladimir Golschmann, who is in St. Louis with her distinguished husband, the director of the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra, is most favorably impressed. This is her first visit to America, having arrived from Paris as a bride several months ago. While Mme. Golschmann speaks but little English, her French, like that of the cultured French woman, is musical and fluent. It was with a mutual friend

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OUTSTANDING EVENT OF THE WEEK.

OLD MRS. SMITH'S LAWYER CAME ALL THE WAY OUT FROM THE CITY IN ONE OF THEM BIG TOWN TAXICABS.



Can You Beat It! — By Maurice Ketten

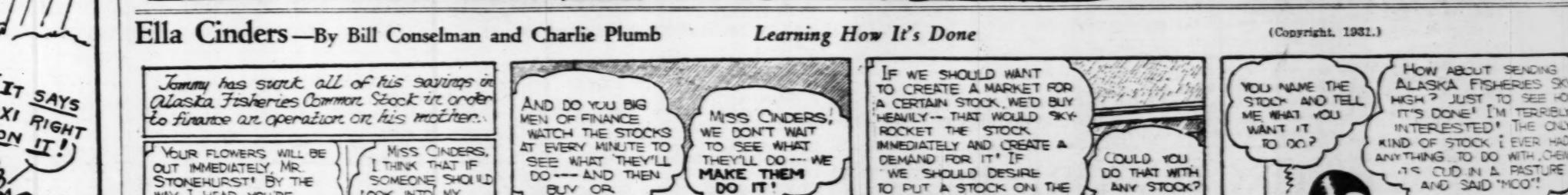
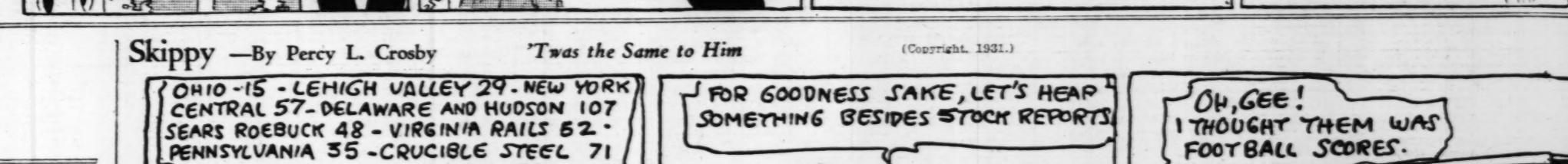
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SERVICE CAR  
DRIVERS' HEAD  
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Body of George Anderson  
Found at Wheel of Ambulance  
After Garage Owner  
Hears Crash and Sees Two  
Men Flee From Scene.

POLICE SAY HE HAD  
BEEN THREATENED

Taxi Firm Alleged to  
Run by Gangsters  
Ported to Have War  
With—Dissension in  
society, Widow Asso

George Anderson, president of the Service Car Drivers' Association of East St. Louis, died in a moving automobile in the block of Forrest avenue, East St. Louis last night, after he had shot through the body, apparently by one of two men who just out and ran away after the crash into a telephone pole.

Anderson had been threatened frequently recently and was warned by another service car driver in the last two days that he was on the death list. Some threats, he complained three days ago to Chief Deputy Sheriff Doyle of East St. Louis, came in a taxicab, and the names of gangsters are associated.

"You'll Get in Trouble."

The threat from the taxi company, Doyle said, when he received Anderson's complaint, was "better quit picking up passengers by appointment or you'll get trouble."

The only witness police were to find was Larry Miner, proprietor of a garage at 4215 Forest boulevard, who heard the crash at 7:30 p. m. and went out in front to discover Anderson's automobile stopped against a telephone post.

As Miner watched, two scurried out of the car, down the street a short distance and disappeared into the woods on a vacant lot. Miner, tempted to arouse Anderson, found slumped over the steering wheel, and falling, calling for help, who discovered the man had been shot.

The outlet entered the left of Anderson's chest, ran upward, and lodged in his spine. The right wrist bore five scratches, apparently made by fingernails. Police advanced the theory a passenger riding beside Anderson held his right hand while a man leaned over the back seat and fired the fatal shot.

Police Theory in Killing  
Inasmuch as neither the Oldsmobile sedan, nor the telephone pole, was seriously damaged, advanced the theory that Anderson was driving slowly when he was killed. Miner asserted he heard shots, indicating that the man had been shot some distance before he collapsed.

Weeping, in their home at North Fifty-eighth street, East St. Louis, the widow of the slain Mrs. Anna Anderson, told a Dispatch reporter of recent trouble with the taxicab company. She was dissension in the car drivers' association.

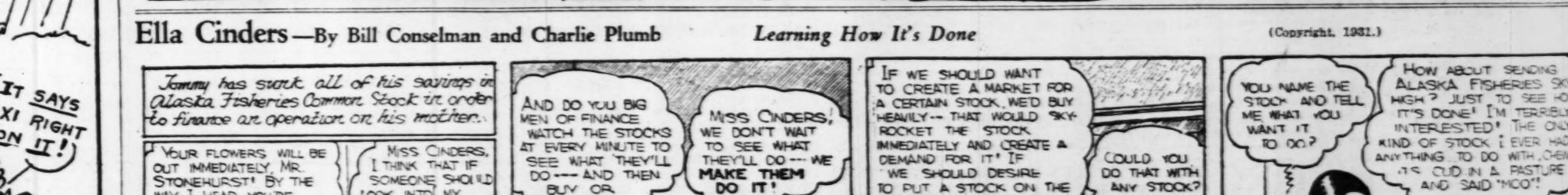
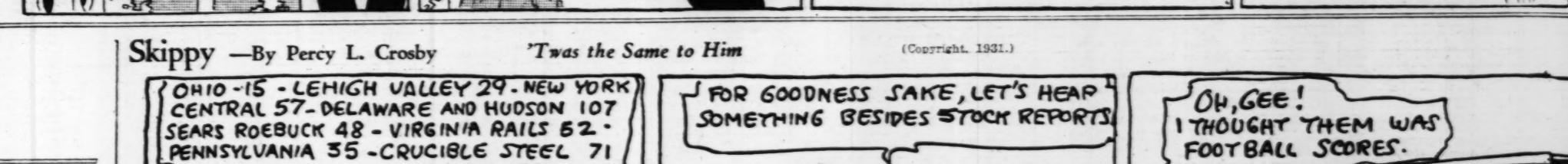
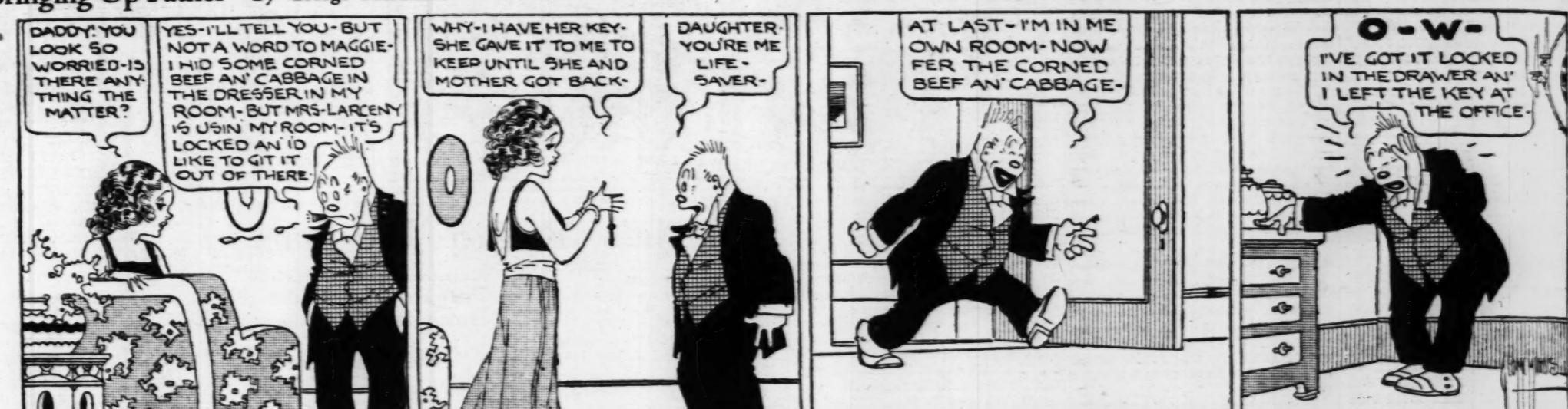
"I was riding with him yesterday or the day before," Anderson said. "I can't remember which day it was—I'm not sure. We went out to the line from East St. Louis to Washington Park—the line my husband always drove. When we stopped at Sixty-second street, Forrest avenue, he talked with another service car driver and the driver asked him, 'Have you any insurance, George?'"

"George said no and the other driver said, 'Well you'd better get some and you'd better look George, because you're on the line.'"

Mrs. Anderson said her husband was threatened two weeks ago while waiting at the East St. Louis School until school was dismissed and then picking up passengers at Washington Park. This threat came from the taxicab company. She also said that within the last two weeks a number of service drivers had taken from their garages and wrecked. East St. Louis police have made public no report of vandalism.

Bringing Up Father — By George McManus

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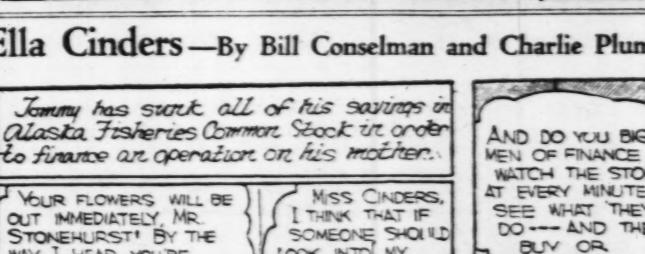
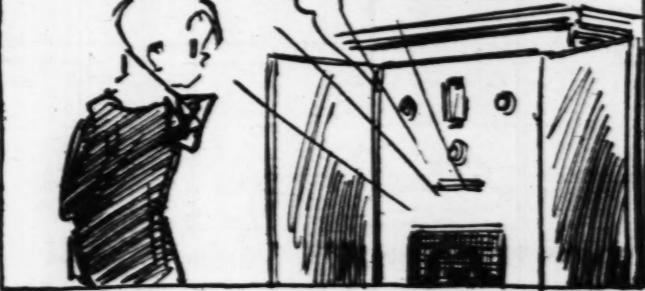


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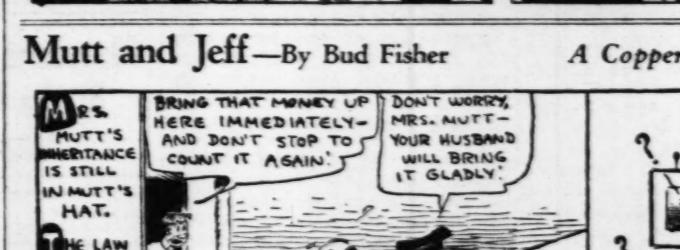
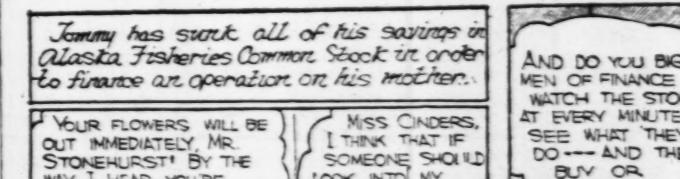
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Ella Cinders — By Bill Conselman and Charlie Plum

Learning How It's Done

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Can you see what Ella is trying to do? We hope she succeeds for Jimmy's sake!

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A Copper and Coppers

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